IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Cantor et al.

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For: Methods for prenatal diagnosis of chromosomal abnormalities

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed February 10, 2009, Applicants submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination, Petition for Extension of Time, the appropriate fees, and the following Amendment.

Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

Exhibit A is attached herewith (Chan et al. Clinical Chemistry 52(12)2211-2218, 2006).

Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is attached herewith.